

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 1-4, 8, 12-23, 27, 31-38, 40 and 42-44 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein.

Please amend Claims 5-7, 9-11, 24-26, 28-30, 39 and 41 as follows.

Claims 1-4. (Cancelled).

5. (Currently Amended) Peripheral equipment connected to a network and managed by a directory server on said network, comprising:

receiving means for receiving a control command for a job from an information processing apparatus on said network;

first decrypting means for decrypting an access ticket of said peripheral equipment included in said control command; and

control means for limiting execution of said control command based on decryption results of said first decrypting means; and

second decrypting means for decrypting the access ticket of said peripheral equipment included in the job, and wherein:

in the case where said control command is one for deleting a specified job, said control means determines whether or not the job can be deleted based on the decryption results of said first decrypting means and the decryption results of said second decrypting means.

6. (Currently Amended) The peripheral equipment according to claim 5, wherein said control means does not execute said control command in the case where it is determined by said first decrypting means that said access ticket is not valid.

7. (Currently Amended) The peripheral equipment according to claim 5, wherein, in the case where said control command is one for displaying a list of jobs, said control means changes a display form of the list based on the decryption results of said first decrypting means.

Claim 8. (Cancelled).

9. (Currently Amended) Peripheral equipment connected to a network and managed by a directory server on said network, comprising:

obtaining means for logging in to said directory server based on information inputted from an operation panel and obtaining an access ticket of said peripheral equipment corresponding to the inputted information from said directory server;

inputting means for, after obtaining said access ticket, inputting a control command for the job from said operation panel;

first decrypting means for decrypting said access ticket; and

control means for limiting execution of said control command based on decryption results of said first decrypting means; and

second decrypting means for decrypting the access ticket of said peripheral equipment included in the job, and wherein:

in the case where said control command is one for deleting a specified job, said control means determines whether or not the job can be deleted based on the decryption results of said first decrypting means and the decryption results of said second decrypting means.

10. (Currently Amended) The peripheral equipment according to claim 9, wherein said control means does not execute said control command in the case where it is determined by said first decrypting means that said access ticket is not valid.

11. (Currently Amended) The peripheral equipment according to claim 9, wherein, in the case where said control command is one for displaying a list of jobs, said control means changes a display form of the list based on the decryption results of said first decrypting means.

Claims 12-23. (Cancelled).

24. (Currently Amended) A control method of peripheral equipment connected to a network and managed by a directory server on said network, comprising:

a receiving step for receiving a control command for a job from an information processing apparatus on said network;

a first decrypting step for decrypting an access ticket of said peripheral equipment included in said control command; and

a control step for limiting execution of said control command based on decryption results of said first decrypting step; and

a second decrypting step for decrypting the access ticket of said peripheral equipment included in the job, and wherein:

in the case where said control command is one for deleting a specified job, said control step determines whether or not the job can be deleted based on the decryption results of said first decrypting step and the decryption results of said second decrypting step.

25. (Currently Amended) The control method of the peripheral equipment according to claim 24, wherein said control step does not execute said control command in the case where it is determined by said first decrypting step that said access ticket is not valid.

26. (Currently Amended) The control method of the peripheral equipment according to claim 24, wherein, in the case where said control command is one for displaying a list of jobs, said control step changes a display form of the list based on the decryption results of said first decrypting step.

Claim 27. (Cancelled).

28. (Currently Amended) A control method of peripheral equipment connected to a network and managed by a directory server on said network, comprising:

- an obtaining step for logging in to said directory server based on information inputted from an operation panel and obtaining an access ticket of said peripheral equipment corresponding to the inputted information from said directory server;
- an inputting step for, after obtaining said access ticket, inputting a control command for the job from said operation panel;
- a first decrypting step for decrypting said access ticket; and
- a control step for limiting execution of said control command based on decryption results of said first decrypting step; and
- a second decrypting step for decrypting the access ticket of said peripheral equipment included in the job, and wherein:
  - in the case where said control command is one for deleting a specified job, said control step determines whether or not the job can be deleted based on the decryption results of said first decrypting step and the decryption results of said second decrypting step.

29. (Currently Amended) The control method of the peripheral equipment according to claim 28, wherein said control step does not execute said control command in the case where it is determined by said first decrypting step that said access tickets is not valid.

30. (Currently Amended) The control method of the peripheral equipment according to claim 28, wherein, in the case where said control command is one for displaying a list of jobs, said control step changes a display form of the list based on the decryption results of said first decrypting step.

Claims 31-38. (Cancelled).

39. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable storage medium storing a computer program executed on a computer of peripheral equipment connected to a network and managed by a directory server on said network, said computer program comprising:

a receiving step for receiving a control command for a job from an information processing apparatus on said network;

a first decrypting step for decrypting an access ticket of said peripheral equipment included in said control command; and

a control step for limiting execution of said control command based on decryption results of said first decrypting step; and

a second decrypting step for decrypting the access ticket of said peripheral equipment included in the job, and wherein:

in the case where said control command is one for deleting a specified job, said control step determines whether or not the job can be deleted based on the decryption results of said first decrypting step and the decryption results of said second decrypting step.

Claim 40. (Cancelled).

41. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable storage medium storing a computer program executed on a computer of peripheral equipment connected to a network and managed by a directory server on said network, said computer program comprising:

an obtaining step for logging in to said directory server based on information inputted from an operation panel and obtaining an access ticket of said peripheral equipment corresponding to the inputted information from said directory server;

an inputting step for, after obtaining said access ticket, inputting a control command for the job from said operation panel;

a first decrypting step for decrypting said access ticket; and

a control step for limiting execution of said control command based on decryption results of said first decrypting step; and

a second decrypting step for decrypting the access ticket of said peripheral equipment included in the job, and wherein:

in the case where said control command is one for deleting a specified job, said control step determines whether or not the job can be deleted based on the decryption results of said first decrypting step and the decryption results of said second decrypting step.

Claims 42-44. (Cancelled).